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**SUN'S REPORTERS.**

As the Hartford steamboat was about to sail from Pier 24 East River, shortly before 5 P. M., yesterday, a man and woman were seen struggling over a handsome little boy, who had been on the point of boarding the boat with the man, when the woman seized him. The boy seemed entirely passive, and the man and the

As both the man and the woman claimed the boy, and neither would give way to the other, the policeman brought the pair and the child to the station. The child was placed in the arms of the woman, where the matter was laid before Superintendent Sullivan. He was told that the woman said she had tried to seize the child, the woman said that she was Ellen Mulvihill, and that divorce proceedings were pending between her and her husband, Peter, who was the man in the case. The child had been confided to her, and, upon her return, she found the child missing. He was then stolen from her by his father, who had taken her to the Hartford boat, when all she could do was to call for help. She had learned of his situation. Knowing that he intended to travel on the Hartford boat, she laid her plan, and the scene on the pier was the result.

Mulvihill practically admitted that what he was doing was wrong, but he said that he was

his taking his son from Jersey City was unjust and justified the latter act on the ground that the child would want to remain in the custody of the child.

Superintendent Walling decided that the child should be with his mother and that the father that his remedy lay with the city courts. He added that if Mulvehill attempted to regain custody of the child, he would be taken within the limits of the New York police jurisdiction and taken to New York to arrest. Mrs. Mulvehill professed to deplore the action of the city and her husband was detained on some protest and she had had time to get a good start on her way home.

**One of Commissioner Lane's Men Causing a Disturbance**

One of the men who caused a disturbance at the recent Democratic caucus at the Yorkville Police Court, was arrested yesterday. The man, who was identified as Patrick Smith of 762 Fourth avenue, was appointed a laborer in the Central Park

Commissioner Lane. A week ago Smith was discharged by Superintendent John Dawson, who reported to Commissioner Lane. Smith refused to go to Mr. Dawson and told to present himself to Mr. Dawson, either in the afternoon or every morning ready for work.

Smith did so, present himself for several days, but was refused work by Mr. Dawson. On Saturday morning Smith called and yelled "Clear out!" then seized him by the shoulder, dragged him to the stairs, and exclaimed "Get out of here!"

"If you were not such an old man I should kill you,"

Smith clung to the bannisters, pleaded for mercy, and was let go. He then procured a warrant for Dawson's arrest.

Mr. Dawson was arraigned before Justice

The Fleetwood track presented a busy scene on Monday. Mr. Frank Brown drove Mr. Paul Dana's roan gelding Keene Jim

harness a mile in 2:27, and repeated in 2:27. Mr. David Bonner's brown mare Addie trotted a mile in 2:33%, and repeated at her same 2:29%. Nathan Forskumson sent his bay mare Dolly a mile in 2:34. Wm. Brooks speeded the black gelding Billy Barfoot a mile in 2:34. Jack Dahlgren's green horse, a bay and sorrel, trotted a half mile in 1:17 and 1:13. Mr. J. M. Johnson's bay gelding, a yearling, and mare Bell Mack a mile in 2:33%. William Weeks's bay gelding Charlie Chamberlain trotted a half mile in 1:14, making the mile in 2:29. George Anderson's bay gelding Bradley trotted a mile in 2:33. Timothy Eastman's bay gelding Glendale made a mile in 2:34. Another exciting event was a match for \$100.00 between the two best drivers in the county.

**Death of an Aged Frencher.**  
The Rev. Samuel Nichols, D. D., died at his home at Greenfield Hill, Fairfax County, Conn., on Sunday, in his 93rd year. It is supposed that he was 70 years of age when he came to this country.

oldest Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. He was born in this State in November, 1792, and was educated at the University of the South. For several years he was associated with the Rev. Very Rev. John Doane, D. D., of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky, and for a number of years he was Rector of the Episcopal Church in this State, which was supported by Trinity College, Hartford, Conn. For nearly twenty years Dr. Nichols was rector of St. Mark's Church in New York City. He died in 1887. During the period of his life he was a victim from time to time of the "epilepsy" which has since been ascribed to Dr. Nichols was the least representative of his class in the Episcopal Church. He was a man of great intellect, a diligent student, and a man of great piety. He was a member of the Society of the Holy Trinity, and was a member of the Society of the Holy Trinity, and was a member of the Society of the Holy Trinity.

John H. Preston of 474 Kosciuszko street

Brooklyn, has sued to recover \$10,000 damages from Albert M. Hoynton of 254 Tompkins avenue for the loss of the affections and society of his wife, who, he alleges, was estranged by Hoynton. Justice Moore having granted an order of arrest, Hoynton was arrested yesterday and is to fail in default of bail. Preston was tried some time ago for shooting Hoynton in the apartment of his wife, in De Kalb avenue, but he was acquitted on the ground that he was of unsound mind. He alleges in his complaint that he was a married man, with a wife and ten years, and had lived happily with each other until their four children under the appearance of Hoynton, who he alleges, broke up his home.

**Giving her Child Whiskey and Snuff.**  
Word was received at the Thirty-seventh street police station last evening that Mrs. Catherine Gordon was cruelly beating her little girl, Mary Ellen, aged 8 years, at 452 West Fourth street. Police Officer Heglan was sent to the house. He found the girl in a violent condition. The neighbors said that her mother had beaten her after whiskey, and, after mixing snuff with the liquor, had forced the girl to drink it. Mrs. Gordon was arrested. Heglan carried the girl in his arms to the police station. The house was taken to Roosevelt hospital in an ambulance.

**Death of an Associate of Agassiz.**  
**BOSTON, July 20.**—Count Louis François, the fourth and youngest son of the late Louis Agassiz, died yesterday in Beverly, Mass. The count was a native of Switzerland, born March 4, 1823, and was educated as an engineer, and came to this country about 1845, where he came under the influence of his father, and he became a geologist. After the death of his father he was appointed keeper of the Museum of Comparative Zoology, a position which he retained to the close of his life.

**The Signal Office Prediction.**  
 For the Middle Atlantic States clearing, wind from the south, winds mostly westerly, stationary or lower temperature, generally fairly barometer.

**THIS MORNING'S LATEST NEWS.**

Mr. Hayes has appointed Miss Sarah L. Christie postmistress at Nyack, N. Y.

The nuns who keep the Orphanage at Sarpeville, in the diocese of Soissons, France, have solicited the authorization prescribed by the Decree.

The Marquis de Baya, who fitted out the Chandernagor, to take emigrants to New Ireland, has fitted out two more vessels, which have both sailed with Spanish emigrants for the same destination.

Aaron B. Carter, a single man, 36 years of age, who lived with his mother at 321 Bleecker street, south of Houston, was arrested at his home last evening while he was drinking hard for some time.

While Charles A. Bentley, a farmer, was driving across the railroad track on a load of hay at Hamden, N. Y., yesterday, he was caught by the telegraph wires and

1. thrown to the ground, fracturing his skull. Initially,